TOWN OF GOSHEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES November 22, 2016

PRESENT: Dexter S. Kinsella, Robert P. Valentine, Steven M. Romano

OTHERS: Allan Walker

1. Robert P. Valentine called the meeting to order at 5:00p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: November 15, 2016

<u>IN A MOTION</u> made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was <u>VOTED</u> to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 15, 2016. Voted unanimous.

3. <u>MATTERS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES:</u> The Tyler Lake Protective Association received a letter from a resident of Woodridge Lake commending them for their efforts and actions taken to address the invasive weed issues and creating a continuing weed management plan. The Tyler Lake Protective Association was very appreciative of this recognition.

4. APPROVAL OF PAYROLL AND WARRANT: 11/23/16

<u>IN A MOTION</u> made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was <u>VOTED</u> to approve the warrant and payroll of November 23, 2016 in the amount of \$41,533.20. It was noted included in the warrant was the payroll in the amount of \$20,089.07 and the warrant in the amount of \$21,444.13. Voted unanimous. This warrant contained costs Dime Oil Col., for fuel, repairs to a plow at Public Works, and the new tables for the Conference Room.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

6. FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT:

The funds (contributed by the property owners at the Tyler Lake Protective Association and West Side Pond) will be turned over to their respective associations from the Fiscal Office. This change is due to both these lake associations becoming an official 501-3-C non-profit entity. Dog Pond funds will continue to be accounted for in the Fiscal Office.

Secretary Ben Barnes of the State OPM has advised Bob Valentine that Goshen was not selected for STEAP Grants that were applied for: the bathroom renovation at Camp Coch and sewer project at Woodridge Lake.

Bob Valentine recently held a meeting with Garret Harlow, Public Works Supervisor, and a representative from Conn.DOT regarding the proposed project of repaving Milton Road. The meeting was worthwhile, in that attaining less rigid interpretation of standards to the gravel process/steps from Conn.DOT, results in substantial cost savings for Goshen.

Bob Valentine attended a meeting in Torrington at the North West Chamber of Commerce this week. This meeting was headed up by Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities (CHRO). When state grant funds are being used over \$50,000, 25% is set aside for small businesses and 6.25% for minority businesses. The Department of Administrative Services (DAS) is willing to come to the north west corner to educate small businesses on how to be certified as a "small business" per the state guidelines.

Bob Valentine brought together in his office newly elected State Representative Brian Ohler, Representative Jay Case, newly elected Senator Craig Miner, Richard Reis and Ken Greene of the WLSD to inform them of the details concerning WLSD proposal to install a pipe from the WLSD plant to the Torrington Waste Treatment plant by hooking up at Lovers Lane (Torrington) and to ask for their support.

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7 CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

8 OLD BUSINESS:

8a. Milton Road - Rural Minor Collector Grant

It is hoped that the project being funded with Rural Minor Collector Grant dollars can begin by August/September of 2017. David Battista of Lenard Engineering has submitted a "TASK ORDER" for engineering services necessary for the project. The Board of Selectmen agreed to review the proposed TASK ORDER and discuss it with David Battista at their next meeting.

9 NEW BUSINESS: NONE

10 <u>ANY OTHER BUSINESS:</u> Bob Valentine issued a Thanksgiving Proclamation for the town of Goshen. Please refer to the Goshen Town Website for his holiday thoughts.

11 ADJOURNMENT:

<u>IN A MOTION</u> made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was <u>VOTED</u> to adjourn the meeting at 5:30 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide